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PROVISIONAL STATUTES

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ACT OF INCORPORATION

OF

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL,

WINNIPEG.

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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

I, Robert, by Divine Permission, Bishop of Rupert's Land, having in view the Glory of God, and the well-being of His Church in this Diocese of Rupert's Land, and believing that these objects can be much advanced by giving to St. John's, the Mother Church of the Diocese, and the seat of the Bishop of Rupert's Land from the creation of the see, a Cathedral Foundation, consisting of a Dean and Canons, to be governed by statutes framed, as far as circumstances will permit, after those of the Cathedral Bodies of the Mother Church of England; and having obtained Endowments for certain Theological Chairs in St. John's College, on the condition that the holders of such Chairs shall also be Canons of the Cathedral,—an arrangement advantageous in itself, largely obtaining in the Cathedrals of Ely, and Christ Church, Oxford, and intended to be carried out in several of the other Cathedrals of England,—and having the Cathedral still at my free disposal, do, therefore, by the present Instrument grant such a Foundation of a Dean and Canons, and do issue the following statutes for the Government of the same.

STATUTE I.

The object of this Foundation is to secure a Body of Presbyters, who, whilst they shall carry on regularly the services in the Cathedral Church, and take charge of the souls within the Cathedral Parish, known as St. John's, may be a Council for the Bishop as far as he may see fit; may assist him as much as lies in their power in the Mission work of the Diocese around the Cathedral, including at present, whilst the country is not filled up, new settlements in the neighborhood unprovided with the means of Grace, and in the Educational work of St. John's College, more especially in the Theological School of the same; and may have the Cathedral in such order that the Bishop and the Diocese may be able, as at Ordinations, Meetings of Synod, or other

occasions in connection with Episcopal or Diocesan objects, to have Divine Service conducted becomingly and to edification. Every member of the Chapter shall, before institution by the Bishop, or his Commissary, besides taking such Oaths and Declarations as are required in this Diocese for institution to any Benefice, make and sign in the book of the Registrar of the Diocese, this Declaration :

I, A. B., do promise that I shall, in addition to faithfully discharging the special duties of my office (as Dean or Canon), according to the Statutes of the Cathedral Church of St. John's, do my best endeavor to assist the Bishop of Rupert's Land in the furtherance of the objects mentioned in Statute I.

STATUTE II.

The Bishop of Rupert's Land shall be the visitor of the Cathedral and shall hold a visitation whenever requested in writing by the Dean, or by any two Canons of the Cathedral, or whenever he sees fit on his own proper motion. He may then call before him any or all holding any office or position in the Cathedral, inquire into the observance of any of the Statutes, and investigate any matter which has been the cause of any complaint, or which has led to any proposition for improvement, or which may be considered by the Bishop as affecting the well-being of the Cathedral and its objects. If he thinks it advisable he may join with himself one or more assessors to take part in such investigation, and to aid him in forming his judgment. He shall have the appointment of his own seat in the Cathedral, and what he regards as the position of precedence when present in the Cathedral or with the Chapter in any way. He shall have the right to preach in the Morning Service on the great Festivals of the Church, namely, Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Whit-Sunday, and Trinity Sunday; also, on Good Friday, Ascension Day, St. John the Evangelist's Day, St. Andrew's Day, All Saints' Day, and on the anniversary of his consecration, and also either personally, or by deputy nominated by himself, on six other days in every year, beginning from Easter Sunday in the morning, afternoon, or evening service, provided he give at least in any case two weeks' notice to the Dean of his intention of exercising such right.

He shall have the right of appointing special Preachers, of whom one may be himself, for a series or several series of either afternoon or evening Sunday services, but not for both on the same Sunday, nor except with the consent of the Dean and Chapter for more than twenty Sundays in all in the same year at such time or times of the year as he may think proper. He may also appoint Preachers for a series of week-day services, for one day in the week, in the seasons of Advent, Epiphany and Lent.

He shall have full control of the Cathedral, including the appointing of the Preacher and the ordering of the service without being confined to the Cathedral Clergy at any period of the day for all services required in connection with Episcopal acts, such as Ordinations or Confirmations, or for services in connection with the Synod of the Diocese, or any special Church, Diocesan, or State occasion—such as a Day of Missionary Intercession, a Missionary or Church Conference, a Choral Festival, a Day of Dominion or Provincial Thanksgiving or Humiliation, or such day appointed by the authority of the Bishop, or the Bishop acting with the Synod or Executive Committee of the Diocese; but in all such cases, for the securing of this right, there shall be at least two weeks' notice given to the Dean—and the said full control of the Cathedral and ordering of the service shall not convey any right to interfere with the appointed stalls of the Dean and Canons, or with their precedence after the Bishop in any procession connected with such service.

STATUTE III.

The Dean and Chapter shall consist of a Dean and six or more Canons. The Dean may be also Professor of Pastoral Theology in St. John's College; but until these offices, jointly or separately, have an income from Endowment of at least fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500) a year, the Bishop of Rupert's Land may appoint himself as Dean, but shall receive no income from holding such office—the interest of any investment for a stipend of a Dean being thereby allowed to accumulate. A Professor of Pastoral Theology in St. John's College, even if his Endowment should be raised to the said amount of fifteen hundred dollars a year, shall not thereby become *ipso facto* Dean of the Cathedral, unless, with the consent of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, his office as Professor is attached to the Deanery. Whilst the Bishop of Rupert's Land is Dean, he shall have the authority and jurisdiction of Dean, and may perform any of the duties of the office, but they shall not be obligatory on him. The First and Second Canonries shall be attached to the Archdeaconries of Manitoba and Cumberland respectively. The Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Canonries shall be attached to the Professorships of Systematic Theology, Exegetical Theology, Ecclesiastical History and Music in St. John's College, according to the deeds of endowment of those Professorships. The Sixth Canonry shall also have attached to it the Precentorship of the Cathedral. As long as there are no Endowments for the First and Second Canonries, there shall be no duties devolving on the Archdeacons as Canons, nor shall any residence be required from them; yet, whenever present, they shall have the full rights of speaking and voting in any meeting of the Chapter. The other Canons shall have to be in residence at least nine months in the year, unless from illness or other cause they receive

leave of absence from the Dean and Chapter, and also from the Bishop of Rupert's Land. Whatever funds arise from lands or otherwise, not being assigned for special Canons or special duties, but being for the Clergy doing the Cathedral service, shall be divisible in shares among the Chapter, so that the Dean receives two shares, and each Canon who has kept his residence one share; but if the Bishop be Dean, then the Dean's share shall be invested for the Endowment of the Deanery. If the First or Second Canons, though without special Endowment for their Archdeaconries or Canonries, keep such residence of nine months as appointed for the other Canons, taking full part with the other Canons in the Parochial and Missionary work of the Cathedral, then they shall be entitled for such service to the same share as the other Canons, of any money accruing from income not specially assigned as above specified. Any absence with leave, as prescribed in this statute, shall not be deducted from the nine months required for residence; but if a Canon be thus absent from necessary reasons, he may be called upon by the Dean and Chapter to apportion part of his income for the services of a deputy to be appointed by them.

The Fifth Canonry, being in course of Endowment by the Bishop of Rupert's Land, shall remain unfilled as long as the present Bishop is the Professor of Ecclesiastical History; nor shall it be filled up in any case until the Endowment of the Professorship with the Canonry reach seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) a year. Should the Professorship become vacant before such Endowment is obtained, then, according to the Deed of Endowment, the income shall be invested till the Endowment has accumulated so as to yield the said income, either from such investment of interest or by the addition of other gifts.

The Sixth Canonry shall not be filled up till there is at least an Endowment yielding five hundred dollars (\$500) a year; but this shall not prevent a previous appointment of a Precentor, if funds for his proper maintenance from year to year can be provided; nor will it prevent the appointment of a Teacher of Music in St. John's College and his receiving such part of the income from the Professorship as may by the Deed of Endowment be allowed.

The Fourth Canonry, which is attached to the Chair of Exegetical Theology, shall be like that Professorship in the gift of the English Committee of the Church Missionary Society of England, provided they appoint within twelve (12) months of the vacancy; but if no appointment be made within that period, then the appointment shall be made by the Bishop of Rupert's Land. It shall be sufficient for the Committee of the Society to send copies of a Resolution, making the appointment to the Bishop of Rupert's Land and the Secretary acting for the Society in Rupert's Land, signed by the Chairman of the meeting of Committee at which the appointment was made, and

certified by one or more of the Secretaries of the Parent Society. It shall then be the duty of the Secretary of the Society in Rupert's Land to leave copies, certified by him, of this Resolution with the Chancellor or other then resident head of the College, and with the Dean, or other then resident head of the Cathedral body, that the proper steps may be taken for the institution of the new Professor and Canon by the Bishop or his Commissary, and for his induction to his stall in the Cathedral, and his Professorship in the College.

The Dean and the other five Canons shall be appointed by the Bishop of Rupert's Land. If other Canonries are founded, their patronage will depend upon the Deeds of Endowment accepted by the Bishop of Rupert's Land; but excepting the Canonry attached to the Precentorship, no Canonry shall be filled up till it has an Endowment from investments yielding at least seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) a year.

The Dean and Chapter shall have full control of the Cathedral, except so far as may be limited by the deed of conveyance of the Cathedral, if such deed of conveyance to them be made by the Bishop, after they shall have been incorporated, with power to hold real estate, and except so far as may be limited by these statutes; but they shall not introduce changes in the services or ritual without the sanction of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, nor in the internal arrangements and furniture without having asked and received a Faculty or leave from the Bishop for such changes.

STATUTE IV.

The Dean shall have precedence next after the Bishop, and shall have a seat assigned to him marking such precedence; but he shall yield precedence by courtesy in any procession to any Bishop or Bishops that may be present with the Bishop of Rupert's Land. The Bishop shall also have such right of being personally attended by his Chaplains as is customary. The Dean and Canons shall elect one of the resident Canons as Sub-Dean, who shall in every respect take the place of the Dean, except that the Dean shall retain his salary, when the Dean is absent or incapacitated from duty by illness; but if the Dean is present the Sub-Dean shall simply occupy his stall and take his precedence as Canon, excepting that when the Bishop is Dean the Sub-Dean may, if he please, occupy at all times the Dean's seat.

The Dean and Chapter may, with the consent of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, change the Sub-Dean, electing another resident Canon to the office. In case of the Deanery being endowed and the Dean

incapacitated for some time from duty, and likely to be so incapacitated for a considerable time, the Sub-Dean and other Canons may arrange, with the sanction of the Bishop, for part of the Dean's salary going to the Sub-Dean. The Canons, whether Archdeacons or not, shall take precedence in the Cathedral and Chapter according to the time of their Induction, or what in the absence of Induction is by their Deeds of Endowment, or otherwise, made legally equivalent to it.

The Dean shall preside at all meetings of the Dean and Chapter, having a casting vote in addition to a vote with the Canons, if such casting vote is made necessary by an equality of votes. He shall see to the performance of their duties by all members and officers of the Cathedral. He shall have, after the Bishop, the right to preach in the Morning Service on the days particularly named in Statute 2. He shall also have to preach by himself or deputy on such four occasions on Sundays every month of which two, but not more than two, may be in the Morning Service during ninth months in the year, for which period he must reside as he shall select—such selection being notified to the Chapter when they arrange for the services of the month. The Dean shall have the same right to leave of absence under the same restrictions as is provided for a Canon in Statute 3.

Whenever any Canon is unable to perform his duty he must name to the Dean the Clergyman whom he proposes as his deputy, and the Dean, unless such deputy be a Canon of the Cathedral, may set aside the nomination and appoint the deputy himself. If the Bishop is present and takes the North end of the Communion Table during the Communion office, the Dean shall take the South end and read the Epistle and such other part of the Service as the Bishop may appoint: but otherwise the Dean shall, when present, take the North end of the Communion Table and the Senior Canon present the South end; and in the absence of the Dean the Sub-Dean and Senior Canon shall similarly officiate, but this shall not prevent any other private arrangement, with the consent of the Clergy properly officiating, that may be made for any Service. It shall be in the power of the Bishop to require the administration of the Holy Communion in the Morning Service on any Sunday or Holy Day, and it shall be in the power of the Dean and Chapter to appoint such administration once on any Sunday or Holy Day, either at an early hour or in the Morning Service, but the consent of both the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter shall be required for the administration of the Holy Communion twice on the same Sunday or Holy Day, or for the administration of it on any week day except a Holy Day or such days as are mentioned in Statute 2, when the Bishop has the ordering of the Service, which includes, if thought proper, the celebration of the Lord's Supper, or at any other time except in the Morning Service or at an Early Service.

STATUTE V.

The Dean and Chapter shall arrange before every month for Divine Service on the Sundays and on week days during the month, assigning to the respective Canons the part they have to take. The Dean may take such part in the reading of the prayers and the lessons as he may prefer, but so as that he shall not take more than the share of a Canon. This shall not interfere with future arrangements that may be possible after the appointment of a Precentor when the Dean and Chapter shall, with the consent of the Bishop of Rupert's Land, decide to have the prayers partly or wholly sung at any Service. The Dean and Chapter shall also divide the Cathedral parish amongst themselves for visiting, but it shall be allowable for any attendant at the Cathedral to request the spiritual visitation of any member of the Cathedral Body, and such member shall be entitled in that case to administer the Holy Communion, baptize privately if necessary, or exercise any ministerial office that may be required of him, though such attendant may not be in the district of the parish specially assigned to him.

STATUTE VI.

There shall be as heretofore Parish Meetings and a Vestry so as to bring the Cathedral congregation into connection and harmony with the Cathedral Clergy, and so as to give the people an interest and a share in the work of the Church. The Bishop of Rupert's Land shall, after taking counsel with the Dean and Chapter, the Vestry and the Parish, issue an additional Statute, or another in the place of this Statute determining the qualification necessary for a person taking part and voting at a Parish Meeting—till such Statute is issued the Parish Meetings shall be open as formerly to all attendants at the Church or residents in the parish, signing the declaration appointed by the Synod. The Dean shall call together parish meetings and preside at them. In the absence of the Dean or Sub-Dean, if acting for the Dean, the Senior Canon present shall preside. There shall be a Parish Meeting called every year as soon as possible after Easter Sunday, after due notice in the Cathedral for the examining and passing the Churchwarden's accounts for the past year, and for electing a Parish Churchwarden and six Vestrymen. At the same time the Dean shall name a Minister's Churchwarden. Both Churchwardens shall be chosen from the communicants. This and any other parish meeting may determine all matters left to them by the Vestry, and may by resolutions express the wishes of the congregation on any subject to the Dean and Chapter or to the Vestry.

The Vestry shall consist of the Dean and Canons, the two Churchwardens and the six Vestrymen.

The Dean shall call meetings of the Vestry whenever he sees fit, or whenever he is asked by the Churchwardens or by a Churchwarden and two Vestrymen. The Dean, or in his absence the senior member of the Cathedral Body, shall preside at a meeting of the Vestry. The Vestry shall have the disposal of the offertories at the morning service, except on days when collections are ordered by the Synod, when they shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Synod, or on such special occasions as are mentioned in Statute 2, when the Bishop has the ordering of the service and with this the appropriating of the offertory. The Vestry shall also have the disposal of all money raised by their authority. The Dean and Chapter shall have the disposal of the offertories on all other occasions with the same restrictions as in the case of the Vestry, and also with a first charge in the case of offertories at services connected with a special course by Preachers appointed by the Bishop for meeting any expenses of the said course.

The Churchwardens shall see after the order of the Cathedral, and on receiving the sanction of the Dean, shall carry out such ordinary repairs as are necessary, and the offertory will allow after the payment of settled charges upon it. Expenses by the Churchwardens shall be divided between the morning, afternoon and evening offertories, after deducting the amounts that have to be paid for the offertories by direction of the Synod or disposed of by the Bishop in the proportion of the amounts of those offertories for the year ending at Easter.

STATUTE VII.

The Dean and Chapter shall elect one of the Canons Treasurer of the Cathedral, and any Canon in residence shall if elected be bound to take this office. Such Treasurer shall receive and hold all Vestry and Chapter Funds, and pay over to the Treasurer of the Synod and others all offertories that go to them. ~~As far as funds held by him will permit, he shall pay orders upon him for expenses by the Churchwardens, or for payments from Vestry funds if they be signed by the Dean and a Churchwarden, and orders upon him for payments from Chapter funds if signed by the Dean.~~ He shall account to the Vestry for Vestry funds whenever the Vestry wishes, and present a balance sheet at a meeting before Easter, which the Churchwardens shall present to the parish meeting after Easter. He shall account to the Chapter for Chapter funds at such meeting yearly or half-yearly as the Dean and Chapter may appoint for auditing the accounts.

STATUTE VIII.

The Precentor shall have charge of the Singing and the choice of

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the Choir. He shall instruct the Choir, and lead them in Divine service. He shall have the direction of the Organist, but the choice and dismissal of the Organist shall be with the Dean and Chapter. The choice of Psalms and Hymns shall be with the Dean, if he pleases, except when the Bishop has the ordering of the service, when they shall be with the Bishop, if he pleases. The Precentor shall appoint the tunes and select the anthem, if an anthem is to be sung in the appointed place, giving due notice of the anthem to the Dean. The Dean may object to any tune or anthem, and such objection shall hold good until the Precentor has the opportunity of bringing an appeal, if he think proper, before a meeting of the Dean and Chapter, who shall finally decide the question. By the Deed of Endowment of the Sixth Canonry the Precentor shall, when the Endowment is completed, be also Professor of Music in St. John's College, and shall give instruction in music to the students in the College, and as far as is approved by the Bishop of Rupert's Land, to boys in the College school. He shall be qualified to sing or intone the prayers, and shall do so as far as the Dean and Chapter may think proper—the consent of the Bishop being, as already prescribed, always required for any change in the services of the Cathedral.

If there should ever be a Succentor or Minor Canons added to the Foundation, the Precentor shall continue to have the full direction of whatever pertains to the instruction of the choir and the ordering of the music, the others being assigned their respective places as his assistant or assistants.

The Dean and Chapter may appoint a Precentor before the Endowment of the Sixth Canonry and Professorship is completed, supporting him by annual stipend from funds at their command; and such person may have the name of Precentor, but he can only hold the office till the Bishop gives notice of the completion of the Canonry and his intention to fill it, and the Bishop may then nominate any qualified Clergyman he prefers. The duties of any such temporary Precentor shall, like his position, simply be regulated by the agreement made with him by the Dean and Chapter, and not necessarily by this statute.

STATUTE IX.

The Dean may bring any misconduct or charge affecting any member of the Cathedral body, which he thinks too grave for private admonition, before the Dean and Chapter. If any such charge come before the Dean and Chapter, through one of the Canons or any other source, the Dean and Chapter shall consider it, if it affects the Dean, but if it affects any other member they shall first determine whether it better be left with the Dean, or be considered by the Dean and

Chapter. The Dean and Chapter may require any member of their body so charged, to retire whenever they wish to consult privately. If the Dean be charged with any offence, the Sub-Dean may be placed in the chair by a vote of the Dean and Chapter. The Dean and Chapter shall have the power of admonishing, suspending, or removing from office any member of the Cathedral body, but in the case of suspension or removal the Dean or any Canon so sentenced shall have a right of appeal to the Bishop of Rupert's Land, if he lodges such appeal within six weeks from the passing of the sentence with the Bishop or his Commissary, or in the case of this being impossible from the absence of the Bishop without the presence of a Commissary, if within such period he gives notice to the Dean, Sub-Dean, or Senior Canon in residence, of his intention of lodging such appeal as soon as he can. The sentence of removal shall not take effect till such opportunity of appealing has been allowed to pass without appeal, but there shall be immediate suspension, and if the Bishop approve of the sentence of removal it shall date from the passing of the sentence by the Dean and Chapter. Any Canon who is also a Professor of St. John's College shall be subject to Statute 10 of the Statutes of St. John's College, and also to such Statute as may be specially enacted for St. John's College, or for the Cathedral for dealing with charges made against any Canon who is also a Professor of the College.

STATUTE X.

Services shall be hereafter drawn up for the Enthronisation of the Bishop, and the Induction of the Dean and of a Canon. The Dean and every Canon shall before Induction have been instituted by the Bishop or his Commissary, as in the case of any Benefice, and receive from the Bishop or his Commissary the mandate to the Dean for the Induction, or in the case of the Dean to the Sub-Dean. When the Bishop is Dean no Institution or Induction shall be necessary, and as the present Archdeacons of Manitoba and Cumberland have already been instituted and inducted to stalls in the Cathedral, no further Institution or Induction shall be necessary on their part.

STATUTE XI.

These Statutes are intended as temporary Statutes and may at any time be withdrawn, changed, or added to by the Bishop of Rupert's Land, until such time as the Bishop of Rupert's Land conveys such power to the Synod of Rupert's Land after it is legally constituted, but in such a case the sanction of the Bishop shall be necessary for any withdrawal, change, or addition made by the Synod. No change shall, however, be made in the appointment of the Professorship of

Exegetical Theology after the Deed of Endowment is accepted by the Church Missionary Society, without the consent of that Society, and no change shall affect the stipend or duties of the Dean or any Canon after their appointment without their consent, during their tenure of office.

Given under my hand and seal at Bishop's Court, Manitoba, this twenty-first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and in the tenth year of our Consecration.

R. RUPERT'S LAND.

WM. R. FLETT.
HENRY R. KING. } WITNESSES.

THE PRESENT ENDOWMENTS.

THE THIRD CANONRY.

This Canonry, which is attached to the Chair of Systematic Theology, has as an Endowment:

- \$3,450 Dominion of Canada, 6 per cent. Stock.
- \$800 Montreal Harbour Bonds, 6½ per cent. Stock.
- \$6,000 Corporation of Montreal, 6 per cent. Stock.
- \$7,300 Dominion of Canada, 5 per cent. Stock.
- Yielding an income of \$984 a year.

THE FOURTH CANONRY.

This Canonry, which is attached to the Chair of Exegetical Theology, has as an Endowment:

- £1,000 3 per cent. English Stock, in the hands of the C. M. Society of England.
- \$5,000 Corporation of Montreal, 6 per cent. Debentures.
- \$1,000 Montreal Harbour, 7 per cent. Bonds.
- \$2,500 Montreal Harbour, 6½ per cent. Bonds.
- And about \$1,300 not yet invested.
- The income will be about \$760 a year.

The Third and Fourth Canons will also, in the meantime, have the use of a house and £100 a year, on account of assisting in St. John's College School.

THE FIFTH CANONRY.

This Canonry, which is attached to the Chair of Ecclesiastical History, is endowed by the Bishop of Rupert's Land with a sum of about \$8,000, lent by him to St. John's College for the new building improvements. This sum will be invested for the Canonry and Professorship as soon as it can be repaid.

THE SIXTH CANONRY.

This Canonry, which is attached to the Precentorship and the Professorship of Music in St. John's College, is as yet only endowed with \$2,000 Montreal Harbour 6½ Bonds.

There is also a tract of over 600 acres, including the Hay Privilege land, of very valuable land in the neighborhood of the City of Winnipeg, from which in the course of a few years the Cathedral may be expected to derive a considerable income.

CAP. XXI.

An Act to Incorporate the Dean and Chapter of St. John's Cathedral Church.

[Assented to 22nd July, 1874.]

WHEREAS the Right Reverend Robert Machray, Doctor of Divinity, Bishop of Rupert's Land, having obtained Endowments for Canonries in the Church of England Cathedral of St. John's, has founded a Capitular Body, to consist of a Dean and six or more Canons, to be governed according to statutes that have been granted by him to that Body: And whereas the Bishop of Rupert's Land has by petition to the Legislature represented that it would be beneficial to the interest of this Body if it were incorporated, and has prayed that it may be incorporated by the name of "The Dean and Chapter of St. John's Cathedral." And whereas it is deemed expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petitioner;

Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, enacts as follows:

I. The Right Reverend Robert Machray, Bishop of Rupert's Land, Dean of the Cathedral Church of St. John's, the Right Reverend John McLean, Bishop of Saskatchewan, now Archdeacon of Manitoba, and the Venerable Abraham Cowley, Archdeacon of Cumberland, two of the Canons of the said Cathedral Church of St. John's, being Canons ex-officio from their Archdeaconries and the Professors of Systematic Theology and Ecclesiastical History of St. John's College under the amended Statutes for those Professorships in their Deeds of Endowment, and the Professors of Exegetical Theology and Music in St. John's College, being when appointed to said Professorships Canons of the said Cathedral from Canonries being by the Deeds of Endowment attached to said Professorships with the holders of such other Canonries as may according to the Statutes of the Cathedral be hereafter founded, together with their successors as Deans and Canons appointed according to the Statutes of the said Cathedral Church of St. John's, shall be, and are hereby constituted and established a body politic and corporate by and under the name of "The Dean and Chapter of St. John's Cathedral," and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a Common Seal, with power to change, alter, break or renew the same when and so often as they may think proper, and shall by the same name at all times hereafter be able and capable to purchase, acquire, hold, possess and enjoy, and to have, take and receive to them and to their successors to and for Eleemosynary, Ecclesiastical and Educational uses in connection with the Cathedral Church of St. John's, under any legal title whatsoever.

and without any further authorization, any lands, tenements, and hereditaments, rents, annuities and all other property whatsoever, moveable or immoveable, situate, lying and being within this Province; Provided always that such real estate shall not exceed six hundred acres, and the said corporation, under the aforesaid name, shall have full power to sell, alienate, exchange, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of any of their property aforesaid, and by the same name shall and may be able and capable to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto in all Courts of Law and places whatsoever, in as large, ample and beneficial a manner as any other body politic or corporate, or as any person able or capable in law may or can sue or be sued, implead or be impleaded, answer or be answered, and the said corporation shall have full power to make and establish by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, not being contrary to this Act nor to the laws in force in this Province, nor to the Statutes of the Cathedral, as shall be deemed useful or necessary for the interests of the said corporation and for all other purposes having for their object the promotion of the welfare and interests of the said corporation, and from time to time to amend, alter or repeal the said by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, or any of them, in such manner as the said corporation may deem meet and expedient.

II. And be it enacted that any interest or rights belonging to the incumbent of the Church of England Parish of St. John's shall henceforth belong to the Dean and Canon of St. John's Cathedral as may be provided by the Statutes of the Cathedral.

III. And be it enacted that the said corporation shall also have power to appoint, if they think fit, one or more Attorneys for the purpose of conducting the affairs of the said corporation.

IV. And be it enacted that it shall be the duty of the said corporation at all times when they may be called upon so to do by the Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, to render an account of their property and affairs.

V. And be it enacted that no member of the said corporation shall be individually liable or accountable for the debts, contracts or securities of the said corporation.

VI. And be it enacted that nothing herein contained shall affect, or be construed to affect, in any manner or way, the rights of Her Majesty, her heirs or successors, or of any body politic or corporate, such only excepted as are hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

VII. And be it enacted that this Act shall be deemed a Public Act.